

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/872,072

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 11/10/04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2-19.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 31 December 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * Certified copies not received: _____.

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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PRIMARY EXAMINER

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows: Claim 14 is depended on 19.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 36 and 45-56 are allowed over the prior art of record.

Applicant has claimed uniquely distinct features in the instant invention which are not found in the prior art either singularly or in combination. They are a method for delivering information to a person having a terminal with an associated display device upon which the images are visually perceived by a person using the terminal and a cursor whose position is controllable by the person, comprising the steps of initial signals by means of Javascript from a first sub-domain in a first frame object to provide a primary display of a primary document in a first HTML web page upon said visual display device, said first sub-domain being disposed at a first website; (b) second serving initial signals by means of Javascript from a second sub-domain to provide a secondary display of a second document in a second HTML web page upon said visual display device, said second sub-domain being disposed at a second website differing from said first website and said second web page being an iframe frame object whereby said first and second HTML web pages can be independently scrolled; (c) enabling said person to control said

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cursor to position said cursor on a sub-area of said secondary display of said iframe frame object to provide a selected sub-area whereupon said person is automatically provided with additional visually perceivable information associated with said selected sub-area by means of Javascript; (d) said additional visually perceivable information being provided on said primary display independently of further positioning of said cursor by said person; and (e) said respective additional visually perceivable information being imperceivable by said person until said cursor is located on said selected sub-area. These features are not found or suggested in the prior art.

The present invention is directed to a first sub-domain being disposed at a first website; (b) second serving initial signals by means of Javascript from a second sub-domain to provide a secondary display of a second document in a second HTML web page upon said visual display device, said second sub-domain being disposed at a second website differing from said first website and said second web page being an iframe frame object whereby said first and second HTML web pages can be independently scrolled; (c) enabling said person to control said cursor to position said cursor on a sub-area of said secondary display of said iframe frame object to provide a selected sub-area whereupon said person is automatically provided with additional visually perceivable information associated with said selected sub-area by means of Javascript; (d) said additional visually perceivable information being provided on said primary display independently of further positioning of said cursor by said person; and (e) said respective additional visually perceivable information being imperceivable by said person until said cursor is located on said selected sub-area. Each independent claim is identified the uniquely distinct features "enabling said person to control said cursor to position said cursor on a sub-area of said secondary display of said iframe frame object to provide a selected sub-area whereupon

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said person is automatically provided with additional visually perceivable information associated with said selected sub-area by means of Javascript; (d) said additional visually perceivable information being provided on said primary display independently of further positioning of said cursor by said person; and (e) said respective additional visually perceivable information being imperceivable by said person until said cursor is located on said selected sub-area".

The closest prior art, Gilbert et al. (US Patent No. 6,370,537) discloses a conventional system for manipulating data structure a number of query results is created using the sub-structure and a data structure, either singularly or in combination, fail to anticipate or render the above underline limitation obvious.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

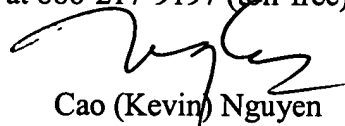
Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cao (Kevin) Nguyen whose telephone number is (571)272-4053. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Cabeca can be reached on (571)272-4048. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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